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SAFEGUARD DETECTING SYSTEM

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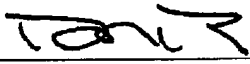
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Sir:

In response to the Election of Species mailed on May 9, 2006 in connection with the above application, Applicants hereby elect the species identified by the Examiner as Species II, a passenger protecting system according to Figure 3. Further, Applicants state that claims readable on the above Species are claims 1, 2 and 4. Claim 1 is generic.

Examination of the present application in view of the above election is respectfully requested.

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